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SUBJECT: JAPAN SEEKS CLARIFICATION ON DOCUMENTS TO BE ENDORSED AT THE GLOBAL INITIATIVE'S MEETING IN MOROCCO

REF: A. A. REF A: SECSTATE 173436

¶B. B. REF B: SECSTATE 155988

- 11. THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE. SEE PARAGRAPHS 4-6.
- ¶2. SUMMARY On 19 October, Japan received a Notional Agenda for the subject meeting from its Embassy in Morocco, which had been passed to it by the Russian Embassy. Japan is concerned because the agenda indicates that IPNs are expected to reach agreement on the Explanatory Notes, something that has not been mentioned in any previous discussion with Tokyo (reftels). Japan would like to know the status of the notional agenda and whether it has been agreed by both the U.S. and Russia. (NOTE: MOFA passed us a copy of the notional schedule.) END SUMMARY.
- 13. The portion of the detailed agenda that is of particular concern to the Japanese is: Goal: Reach an agreement on Statement of Principles, including Explanatory Notes to SOP, as well as Terms of Reference for Implementation and Assessment. Agree to Chairman's Statement for the Meeting, which will include next meeting venue, date, and purpose.

 14. Japan seeks immediate clarification on which documents IPNs will be expected to endorse at the meeting. Japan's current understanding is that the IPNs will be asked to endorse only the Statement of Principles and the Terms of Reference. Japan will not be able to endorse the Explanatory Notes because there is no time for an interagency coordinated response. Japan requests the statement, including Explanatory Notes to SOP, be deleted.
- 15. Japan also wants clarification on when it is expected to make its expert level briefing. It plans a comprehensive presentation that may go beyond one principle, touching on physical protection, a nuclear security seminar, and possibly additional elements. (NOTE: The notional agenda has each country's expert level briefing focus on one Principle. EST officer told MOFA counterparts that Japan's briefing could probably fall under Principle one because its primary focus will be physical protection.)
- 16. Japan would like information on the title of each country's expert level briefing before the meeting.

SCHIEFFER